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PATENT 409475-5

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: SHUSTER et al.

Serial No.: 09/648,474

Filed: August 21, 2000

Title: METHOD, APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR HOSTING INFORMATION EXCHANGE GROUPS ON A WIDE AREA NETWORK

Art Unit: 2154

Examiner: Dustin Nguyen

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2005, the period for response to which has been extended to June 6, 2005 (the first business day following June 4, 2005), by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: